

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Christophe P.G. Gerald et al. *PRE*  
Serial No. : Not Yet Known *ATT*  
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For : DNA ENCODING MAMMALIAN NEUROPEPTIDE FF  
(NPFF) RECEPTORS AND USES THEREOF *8-16*

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 2-8, 10, 12-19, 22-25, 27-83, 87-90, 92-199, 202-211, 215-217 without prejudice to applicants' right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a future continuation or divisional application.

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-217 were pending in the subject application. By this Amendment applicants have canceled claims 2-8, 10, 12-19, 22-25, 27-83, 87-90, 92-199, 202-211, 215-217 without prejudice or disclaimer. Accordingly, upon entry of this Amendment claims 1, 9, 11, 20, 21, 26, 84-86, 91, 200, 201, and 212-214 will be pending.

By this Amendment, applicants submit a paper copy and computer readable copy of the nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences disclosed in the application in order to fulfill the requirements